



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

**ROY WILKINS**

**PART 5 OF 11**

**BUFILE: 62-78270**

Section 5

DO-6

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

January 7, 1963

The following anonymous note was sent to the F. B. I. from Saint Petersburg, Fla. --

" Ruben shot Oswald fraid he talk to much he chicken they work toghetr hire frum California jews We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson and Mayr Allan We wont miss no. Two more in Washington to get Bob Kenedy and 2 nigers then johnson if he push intergratin We plege not fail or die We not fail no."

MR. TOLSON ✓  
MR. DELOACH ✓  
MR. MOHR ✓  
MR. CASPER ✓  
MR. CALLAHAN ✓  
MR. CONRAD ✓  
MR. FELT ✓  
MR. EVANS ✓  
MR. GALT ✓  
MR. ROSEN ✓  
MR. SULLIVAN ✓  
MR. TAVEL ✓  
MR. TROTTER ✓  
MR. JONES ✓  
TELE. ROOM ✓  
MISS HOLMES ✓  
MR. MEYCALP ✓  
MISS SANDY ✓

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATIONS  
KEEP ENVELOPE ATTACHED

*envelope to B. T. ...  
as envelope ...  
envelope*

COPY:nm

*7-10-63 Luther et al.  
Victims*

*Let to Rankin,  
AG,  
until AT off w/kes DL  
1/10/64  
Wbm/psa*

*No ack  
Anonymous pgs-8*

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

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NOT RECORDED  
199 JAN 14 1964

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57 JAN 24 1964 7 703

1/13/64

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Tampa (Enc.)

From: Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, ET AL. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS  
OO:TP

ReBuairtel to Atlanta dated 1/9/64 captioned,  
"Jack L. Ruby, aka.; Lee Harvey Oswald, aka - Victim,  
Civil Rights, OO:DL," copies of which were not furnished  
to Tampa or New York.

The following anonymous letter, postmarked  
1/5/64 at St. Petersburg, Florida, has been received at  
the Bureau:

"Ruben shot Oswald afraid he talk to much he  
chicken they work togethr hire from California  
jews We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson  
and Mayr Allan We wont miss no. two more in  
Washington to get Bob Kenedy and 2 nigers then  
johnson if he push integratin We plege not fail  
or die We not fail no."

The envelope in which this letter was received is addressed,  
"To FBI Washington D C."

ReBuairtel instructed that Atlanta immediately  
advise the Atlanta Police Department inasmuch as the "Allan" referred to in above letter is apparently Ivan Allen, Mayor of Atlanta. "Wilkson" may refer to Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary, NAACP.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

1 - Atlanta (Enc.)  
1 - New York (Enc.)  
1 - Dallas (info) (Enc.)  
1 - Latent Fingerprint Section  
1 - Laboratory

41768  
SEE NOTE PAGE TWO.

57 JAN 27 1964

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22 JAN 14 1964

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**Airtel to SAC, Tampa**  
**RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, ET AL. - VICTIMS**

Information contained in the above anonymous letter has been furnished to the Attorney General, the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, and the U. S. Secret Service.

The Department has advised that the above anonymous letter constitutes a violation of the Federal Extortion Statutes. Inasmuch as the threats contained in the letter arise from a racial situation, original and one copy of a closing report is to be promptly submitted to the Bureau by Tampa, office of origin.

The original of the anonymous letter and the envelope in which it was contained have been retained at the Bureau for appropriate Laboratory examination. Results of these examinations will be furnished to the Tampa Office and should be included in Tampa report.

Tampa at St. Petersburg, Florida, will contact local authorities for any suspects in this matter and will conduct any other logical investigation in an attempt to identify the unknown subject.

New York will promptly contact the NAACP Headquarters and attempt to locate and interview Roy Wilkins for any information he may be able to furnish concerning this matter. Atlanta will also attempt to locate and interview Martin Luther King for any information he may be able to furnish in connection with this matter.

All offices expedite. Copies of the letter and envelope are enclosed for each office.

**NOTE:** By letters dated 1/13/64 the Attorney General, Secret Service, and the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy were advised of the receipt of the anonymous letter. The letter to the Attorney General confirmed discussion with Mr. John Murphy, Civil Rights Division, on 1/10/64 at which time Mr. Murphy expressed the opinion that the facts constitute violation of the Federal Extortion Statutes. Field instructed to conduct appropriate investigation and office of origin will submit closing report which will be disseminated to the Department in accordance with our present policy in extortion cases arising out of racial matters.

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(note continued)

The original anonymous letter and envelope and attached hereto for transmittal as follows:

1. To FBI Laboratory for appropriate document and/or handwriting examination.
2. Latent Fingerprint Section for appropriate examination.

It is requested these examinations be expedited and results furnished to Tampa and any other pertinent offices.

FBI

Date: 1/16/64

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_

(Type in plain text or code)

AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (9-NEW)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel to Tampa, 1/13/64.

Mrs. M. SMITH, Secretary, to ROY WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP, New York City, on 1/15/64, advised WILKINS was in Washington, DC, on that date and expected to return to New York City, on 1/16/64. Repeated attempts were made to contact WILKINS at his office at New York City, on 1/16/64. His secretary Mrs. M. SMITH stated he was in New York City but she was unable to contact him.

New York Office is continuing efforts to contact ROY WILKINS and will forward FD-302 to Tampa for inclusion in closing report to be submitted by Tampa.

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9-41748-3

3 - Bureau  
1 - Tampa  
1 - New York

JAN 17 1964

Approved: 27 m/ET

Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

64 JAN 21 1964



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

**FBI, Tampa**

Date: **January 20, 1964**

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
et al. -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS  
OO: Tampa

**John Edgar Hoover, Director**

FBI File No. 9-41768  
Lab. No. D-440432 AV

Examination requested by: **Bureau**

Reference: **Airtel to Tampa, 1-13-64**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised by separate communication relative to the fingerprint examination of Q1 and Q2.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

- 1 - Atlanta Enclosure (Lab report)  
1 - New York Enclosure (Lab report)  
1 - Dallas, Enclosure (Lab report)

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Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAILED 3  
JAN 20 1964  
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ENCLOSURES ATTACHED

**ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE**

MAIL ROOM ☒ TELETYPE UNIT ☐



REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Tampa**

Date:

**January 20, 1964**

Re: **UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS**

FBI File No.

**9-41768 -4**

Lab. No.

**D-440432 AV**

Specimens ~~///~~ available in Bureau

**Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 5 6 PM  
1964" addressed to "TO F B I Washington D C"**

**Q2 Accompanying one-page threatening note beginning "Ruben  
shot Oswald afraid..." and ending "...we not fail no"**

**Result of examination:**

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but no identification was effected. A photograph will be added to this file.

No indented writing of any significance was noted on specimens Q1 and Q2.

The stamp on the envelope, Q1, was torn from a booklet of five-cent postage stamps.

The envelope, Q1, was made of white bond paper, containing no watermarks, to measure approximately 6.50 inches across the top, 6.51 inches along the bottom edge, 3.70 inches along the right edge and 3.63 inches along the left edge.

Specimen Q2 was prepared on a sheet of ruled tablet paper which measures approximately 5.99 inches across the top, 6.00 inches across the bottom and 9.00 inches from top to bottom. This sheet of paper contains no watermarks and contains twenty-two blue-green lines on the front and twenty-five blue-green lines on the back. The sheet of paper was bound in a tablet with a red adhesive along the top edge.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are retained in the Bureau's files.

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Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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out, Martin Luther  
King, et al - Victims  
Torture - Racial Matters

Envelope and accompanying  
anonymous note,  
Q1 and Q2

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Q4

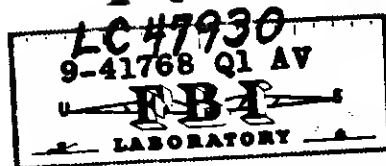
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Not an envelope  
including serial 9168



TO FBI  
Washington

D C



9-41768

Ruben shot Oswald said he talk to much he chicken  
they work together hire out from California Jews  
He here to get martin Luther king and wilson  
and maye Allan we want nice no  
two more in Washington to get Bob Kennedy and  
2 nigers then johnson if he push integration  
we plege not fail or die we not fail no



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION  
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

January 21, 1964

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

9-41768

LATENT CASE NO.

47830

TO: SAC, Tampa

RE:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
ET AL. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

REFERENCE: Bureau airtel 1/19/64

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Bureau

SPECIMENS: One envelope and accompanying note, Q1 and Q2

Two latent fingerprints of value developed on  
outside of envelope, Q1. No latent impressions of value  
developed on Q2.

Evidence being retained in Bufile.

Laboratory report separate.

- 2 - Atlanta  
2 - New York  
1 - Dallas  
1 - Mr. [redacted]

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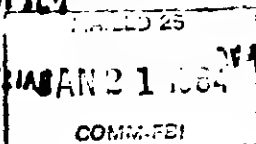
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22 JAN 23 1964

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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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JAN 21 1964

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded 1/17/64

NO LAB FILE

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Record. 1-20-64/cbg  
File # 9-41768-2  
Lab. # D-440432 AV  
LC# 47930

(OO: TP)

L A T E N T

Examination requested by:

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
Bureau (Airtel 1/13/64)

Examination requested:

Date received: 1/17/64

Result of Examination:

Document - Fingerprint

Examination by: 

noted  
RSE b7c

*[Handwritten signature]*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 5 8 PM 1964"  
addressed to "To F B I Washington D C"

Q2 Accompanying  
One-page threatening note beginning "Ruben shot Oswald afraid..."  
and ending "... we not fail no"

No. late devel on Q1 or Q2 with Kodak or minhyd - none on  
Q2 with sil nitr. 4/20/64

2 lat. sp. of val devel on outside Q1 with sil nitr - Q1 to  
photo 4/20/64 late prot to Top Ten 1/20/64

Q1 & Q2 returned Bufile  
Lat rep't sep.

Ans'd 1-21-64  
RLH/lee

Examination completed: Date 1/20/64 Time 3:30 P.M.

Dictated: Date 1/20/64



Brown Subject  
Rev Luther King  
Al - Victim  
rtion - Racial Matters

2 fingerprints

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Photos of Latents

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1/5/64  
1/11/64

LC#41700





REPORT  
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Tampa (9-187)

Date:

February 3, 1964

FBI File No.

9-41768

Lab. No.

9-441873 AV

Re: Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters

Specimens received 1/31/64

Kel Photocopy of typewritten letter dated [redacted] and  
bearing signature of [redacted] and  
Application for Employment dated [redacted] bearing  
hand printing and signature of [redacted]

Result of examination:

A definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether the questioned writing on specimens Q1 and Q2 in this case was prepared by [redacted] writer of specimen Kel and fingerprint card signatures. Most of the writing on Q1 and Q2 was prepared with either lower-case hand printed letters or broken script letters which are not comparable with the upper-case hand printing on Kel or with the signatures on Kel and the fingerprint cards.

Specimen Kel is retained in the Bureau's files.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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Derel. ad mtr. on outside  
enclm. envelope, Q1.

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FBI

Date: 1-16-64

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-New) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING; ET AL -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION; RM  
(OO: Tampa)

ReBuairtel to Tampa 1-13-64 captioned as above, and Buairtel to Atlanta dated 1-9-64 captioned "JACK L. RUBY, AKA; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka. - VICTIM, CR., OO: Dallas."

Upon receipt of Bureau airtel dated 1-9-64, [redacted] was advised of the threats against Mayor IVAN ALLEN and MARTIN LUTHER KING as set forth in the extortion letter.

Referenced Buairtel dated 1-13-64 instructs Atlanta locate and interview MARTIN LUTHER KING for any information he may be able to furnish in connection with this matter. The Bureau is referred to Bureau airtel to Detroit 11-29-63 captioned "UHURU, RM., Bufile 157-1022." This airtel instructed the Atlanta Office to limit its action in a similar threat against KING and to advise the [redacted] of the threat against him.

UACB, KING will not be interviewed in this matter and Atlanta will take no further action inasmuch as the [redacted] has already been advised.

(3) - Bureau  
2 - Tampa  
1 - Dallas (Info)  
1 - Atlanta

E. C. Wick

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JAN 17 1964

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_

58 JAN 28 1964

FBI

Date: 1/20/64

PLAIN TEXT

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR FBI and SAC, TAMPA

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (9-3780) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
ETAL - VICTIM  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

(OO:TAMPA)

Re Bureau airtel to Tampa 1/13/64, and New York  
airtel to Bureau, 1/16/64.Enclosed for Tampa are 9 copies of an FD 302  
reflecting the interview of ROY WILKINS on 1/17/64, at NY,  
NY.At the time of interview WILKINS indicated that  
he appreciated being advised of receipt of this  
threatening letter. He requested that if possible he be  
furnished a copy of the envelope and letter for his  
"personal file".Bureau requested to advise if copy of letter  
and envelope may be furnished to WILKINS.

3 - Bureau

2 - Tampa (Encls. 9)

1 - New York (9-3780)

C. C. Wick

Approved: *SFM*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent \_\_\_\_\_

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Per \_\_\_\_\_

JAN 21 1964

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*JOK: saw, 1/20/64  
actel, SAC NY*

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1-22-64

Airtel

To: SAC, New York (9-3789)

From: Director, FBI

UNSUB; MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
ET AL. - VICTIM  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Re New York airtel dated 1-20-64.

New York will recontact Roy Wilkins concerning his request for a copy of the envelope and letter involved in this matter and diplomatically decline to furnish this material. Point out to Wilkins that this letter was addressed to the FBI and therefore must be treated as confidential in the same manner as other information contained in Bureau files.

If deemed necessary, you may point out to Mr. Wilkins that the letter also mentions other individuals, therefore, a release of a copy of the letter to him would violate the privacy of the other individuals involved.

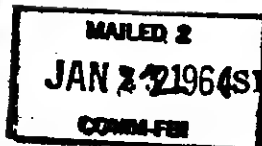
If not already done, New York should advise the New York Police Department of the threat involved in this matter.

2 - Tampa

1 - [redacted] (route through for review)

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Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_



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NOTE:

An anonymous letter postmarked 1-5-64, at St. Petersburg, Florida, addressed to FBI states in part, "We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson and Mayr Allan." It also indicates that the writer intends to get Attorney General Kennedy and President Johnson if Johnson pushes integration. By letter dated 1-13-64, the threats contained in the letter were furnished to the AG, Secret Service and J. Lee Rankin, General Counsel of the President's Commission. In view of the threats contained in this letter, the Atlanta Police Department has been advised and we have notified Roy Wilkins, NAACP, NYC.

We have not notified Martin Luther King due to the derogatory information available concerning him. The letter is being afforded examination by the Laboratory and a closing report will be submitted by Tampa and disseminated to the Department consistent with present policy concerning these matters.

When advised of the threat by our New York Office, Wilkins requested that if possible a copy of the envelope and letter be made available to him.



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>TAMPA</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>TAMPA</b>	DATE <b>1/29/64</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>1/13 - 1/28/64</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>UNSUB; MARTIN LUTHER KING; ET AL VICTIMS</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS</b>	

**REFERENCE:** Bureau airtel to Tampa, 1/13/64.  
Bureau letters to Tampa, 1/20 and 21/64.  
Tampa airtel to Bureau, 1/29/64.

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## LEADS:

**TAMPA DIVISION**

**AT ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.**

Report results of Bureau's comparison of [REDACTED] handwriting with handwriting in this case.

## ADMINISTRATIVE:

[REDACTED]

APPROVED <b>[Signature]</b>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
COPIES MADE: <b>2 - Bureau 2 - Tampa (9-1372)</b>	<b>DEB 1 DE 1/29/64</b>	<b>4/17/68</b>	<b>REC-34 EX-102</b>
<b>LEAD 2 8/28/64</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>JAN 31 1964</b>	
<b>DISSEMINATION MADE BY ATTACHED REPORT</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>NOTATIONS</b>	
AGENCY <b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	
REQUEST RECD. <b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	
DATE FWD. <b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	
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BY <b>207</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>	

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[REDACTED]

deranged by a seizure.

[REDACTED]

The Bureau, by separate letter, has furnished writing of [REDACTED] comparison with the letter in this case.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of:  
Date:

SA [REDACTED] b7C  
January 29, 1964

Office: Tampa

Field Office File No.: 9-137

Bureau File No.:

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING;  
ET AL - VICTIMS

Character:

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

The following quoted anonymous letter, postmarked 1/5/64 at St. Petersburg, Fla., was received at FBI headquarters, Washington, D.C.: "Ruben shot Oswald afraid he talk to much he chicken they work toghetr hire frum California jews We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson and Mayr Allan We wont miss no. two more in Washington to get Bob Kenedy and 2 nigers then johnson if he push integratin We plege not fail or die We not fail no." The envelope in which this letter was received is addressed, "To FBI Washington D C." [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] advised of threats against Mayor IVAN Allen and MARTIN LUTHER KING. ROY WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP has no suspects in mind who may have mailed this letter.

[REDACTED] have no suspects in mind. [REDACTED] b7D b7C

[REDACTED] considered a suspect for the Unknown Subject. FBI Laboratory searched writing in letter through Anonymous Letter File but no identification was effected. Two latent fingerprints of value developed on outside of envelope.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this case was predicated upon an anonymous letter, postmarked January 5, 1964, at St. Petersburg, Florida, directed to the Bureau. The letter is quoted as follows:

TP 9-137

"Ruben shot Oswald fraid he talk to much he chicken they work togethr hire frum California jews We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson and Mayr Allan We wont miss no. two more in Washington to get Bob Kenedy and 2 nigers then johnson if he push integratin We plege not fail or die We not fail no."

The envelope in which this letter was received is addressed, "To FBI Washington D C."

AT ATLANTA, GA.

was advised of the threats against Mayor IVAN ALLEN and MARTIN LUTHER KING appearing in the above-quoted letter.

Date 1/20/64

Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was contacted at his office, 20 West 40th Street, Manhattan.

A copy of an anonymous letter postmarked St. Petersburg, Florida, January 5, 1964, which contained the statement, "Ruben shot Oswald afraid he talk to much he chicken they work toghetr hire frum California jews We here to get Martin Luthr King and Wilkson and Mayr Allan We wont miss no. two more in Washington to get Bob Kenedy and 2 nigers then johnson if he push integratin We plege not fail or die We not fail no.", was exhibited to Wilkins.

He had no suspects. He was unable to furnish any information concerning this letter.

He was informed that if he desired any protection, he should contact the local Police Department.

The following description was obtained from Wilkins:

Name	Roy Wilkins
Age	62
Date of Birth	August 30, 1901
Place of Birth	St. Louis, Missouri
Height	5' 10"
Weight	170
Race	Negro
Sex	Male
Complexion	Light brown
Eyes	Light brown
Hair	Mixed gray and black, kinky, close cropped, receding forehead
Peculiarities	Small mustache, mixed gray and black, slightly stoop shouldered, long oval face
Relatives	Wife-Aminda
Residence	147-15 Village Road Apartment B Jamaica 35, New York for past 10 years

On 1/17/64 at New York File # NY 9-3780  
by SA [REDACTED] b7c Date dictated 1/20/64

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NY 9-3780

Telephone #  
Education

AXtel 7-9487  
Graduate University of Minnesota,  
Class of '23

TP 9-137

[REDACTED] of the  
Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police  
Department, on January 23, 1964, was informed of the  
threat in this matter concerning ROY WILKINS.

AT ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

On January 21, 1964

[REDACTED] were advised of the  
receipt of the above-quoted letter. They advised that they  
have no suspects in mind.

On January 23, 1964

[REDACTED] advised that he has no  
suspects in mind with regard to the author of this letter.

[REDACTED] is being considered a suspect  
for the unknown subject in this case.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Tampa

Date: January 20, 1964  
FBI File No. 9-41768  
Lab. No. D-440432 AVRe: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERSSpecimens ~~received~~ available in Bureau

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 5 3 PM 1964" addressed to "To F B I Washington D C"
- Q2 Accompanying one-page threatening note beginning "Ruben shot Oswald afraid..." and ending "...we not fail no"

## Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but no identification was effected. A photograph will be added to this file.

No indented writing of any significance was noted on specimens Q1 and Q2.

The stamp on the envelope, Q1, was torn from a booklet of five-cent postage stamps.

The envelope, Q1, was made of white bond paper, containing no watermarks, to measure approximately 6.50 inches across the top, 3.51 inches along the bottom edge, 3.70 inches along the right edge and 3.68 inches along the left edge.

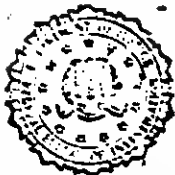
Specimen Q2 was prepared on a sheet of ruled tablet paper which measures approximately 5.99 inches across the top, 3.66 inches across the bottom and 9.00 inches from top to bottom. This sheet of paper contains no watermarks and contains twenty-two blue-green lines on the front and twenty-five blue-green lines on the back. The sheet of paper was bound in a tablet with a red adhesive along the top edge.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 are retained in the Bureau's files.

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

9-4176S

LATENT CASE NO.

47930

January 21, 1964

TO: SAC, Tampa

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
ET AL. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

REFERENCE: Bureau airtel 1/13/64

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Bureau

SPECIMENS: One envelope and accompanying note, Q1 and Q2

Two latent fingerprints of value developed on  
outside of envelope, Q1. No latent impressions of value  
developed on Q2.

Evidence being retained in Bufiles.

Laboratory report separate.

2 - New York  
1 - Dallas  
2 - Atlanta

  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: **FBI, Tampa (9-137)**

Date: **February 3, 1964**

Re: **Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters  
OO: Tampa**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **9-41768**  
Lab. No. **D-441572 AV**

Examination requested by: **Tampa**

Reference: **Airtel 1/28/64**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

If further comparison is desired of the writing on Q1 and Q2 with writing of [redacted] it will be necessary to have some hand printing prepared with lower-case letters and some broken script writing. The known hand printing and broken script writing should contain words which appear in the questioned writing. *b7c*

You will be advised by separate communication concerning the results of the requested fingerprint examination.

For your information, *EX-112* *REC-1* **9-41768-9** *b7c*  
[redacted] appears on one of the fingerprint cards located in **FEB 4 1964**

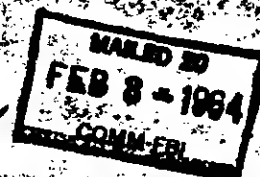
Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE**

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FBI

Date: 1/28/64

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-41768)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (9-137) (P)

441572

UNSUB; MARTIN LUTHER KING  
ET AL - VICTIM  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS  
(OO:TP)

ReBullets 1/20 and 1/21/64.

Tampa is considering [REDACTED] as a  
suspect for unsub. [REDACTED] is an associate of [REDACTED]

The Laboratory is requested to compare the writing on  
Q1 and Q2 with the enclosed writing of [REDACTED] on his application  
for employment with [REDACTED] and his  
signature on a letter [REDACTED]

The Lab is also requested to compare [REDACTED] signatures  
appearing on any fingerprint cards in possession of Identification  
Division under [REDACTED] with writing on Q1 and Q2.

The Laboratory is also requested to compare [REDACTED]  
fingerprints with the two latents developed on Q1.

3 - Bureau (Encls 2) (RM)  
2 - Tampa

(15)

REC 8-9-41768-10  
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EX-114

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

Washington, D. C. 20537



## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

February 5, 1964

EX-114

YOUR FILE NO. 9-137  
 FBI FILE NO. REC 8-9-41768 -10  
 LATENT CASE NO. 47930

TO: SAC, Tampa

RE: UNSUB.; MARTIN LUTHER KING  
 ET AL. - VICTIM  
 EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

REFERENCE: Airtel 1/28/64  
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Tampa  
 SPECIMENS:

On the basis of the information furnished no  
 fingerprint record could be located for [REDACTED]

The latent fingerprints previously reported  
 in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of [REDACTED]

Laboratory report and disposition of known  
 handwriting and hand printing specimens, Ecl, which were  
 also submitted, are being furnished separately.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
 Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
 DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
 Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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COMM-FBI

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

recorded 1/31/64 Recorded 2-3-64/11:00AM Received 2-3-64  
gk Laboratory Work Sheet NO LAB FILE

Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters  
(OO: Tampa)

File # 9-41768 - 10  
Lab. # D-441572 AV  
lc# 47930

Examination requested by: Tampa (9-137) airtel 1/28/64

Examination requested: Document - *Fingerprint* Date received: 1/31/64

Result of Examination: Examination by [REDACTED]

b7c

Specimens submitted for examination

1 Kcl Photocopy of typewritten letter dated [REDACTED]  
bearing signature of [REDACTED] and  
Application for Employment dated 11/19/62 bearing  
hand printing and signature of [REDACTED]

b7c

Compare fingerprints of suspect [REDACTED] with latents  
previously developed in instant case.

*7-1-10*  
[REDACTED]

*WIC)*  
*a dip of Kcl dip* — 2/4/64 —

Examination completed: 11:00 A 2/4/64 ap

Dictated: 2/4/64 ap

1-2-5-64

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE TAMPA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN TAMPA	DATE 2/19/64	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/14/64
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB: MARTIN LUTHER KING: ET AL - VICTIMS		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY jn
		CHARACTER OF CASE  EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS	

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] 1/29/64, at Tampa. b7c

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## ADMINISTRATIVE:

is identical with [REDACTED] mentioned in re: [REDACTED]

In the absence of any further information to consider [REDACTED] a suspect in this matter, no further action with regard to [REDACTED] is contemplated in view of his known mental incompetency and attitude.

APPROVED  COPIES MADE:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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DISSEMINATION RECORD OF ATTACHED REPORT AGENCY: [REDACTED] REQUEST REC'D: [REDACTED] DATE FWD: [REDACTED] HOW FWD: [REDACTED] BY: [REDACTED]		NOTATIONS [REDACTED] b7c	

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c  
Date: February 12, 1964

Office: TAMPA

Field Office File No.: TP 9-137

Bureau File No.: 9-41768

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECT:  
MARTIN LUTHER KING: ET AL - VICTIMS

Character: EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis: FBI Laboratory concluded that fingerprints of [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED] not identical with latent fingerprints  
appearing on outside of envelope this case. Also, that  
definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether  
the questioned writing on letter this case was prepared  
by [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:



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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

(Washington, D. C. 20537)

## REPORT

of the

## IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-137  
FBI FILE NO. 9-41768  
LATENT CASE NO. 47930

February 5, 1964

TO: SAC, Tampa

RE: UNSUB.; MARTIN LUTHER KING  
ET AL. - VICTIM  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

REFERENCE: Airtel 1/28/64  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Tampa  
SPECIMENS:

On the basis of the information furnished no  
fingerprint record could be located for [REDACTED] b7c

The latent fingerprints previously reported  
in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of [REDACTED] b7c

Laboratory report and disposition of known  
handwriting and hand printing specimens, Kcl, which were  
also submitted, are being furnished separately.

  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Tampa (9-137)

Date:

February 3, 1964

Re: Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters

FBI File No.

9-41768

Lab. No.

D-441572 AV

Specimens received 1/31/64

Kcl Photocopy of typewritten letter dated [redacted]  
bearing signature of [redacted] and  
Application for Employment dated [redacted] bearing  
hand printing and signature of [redacted]

b7c

## Result of examination:

A definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether the questioned writing on specimens Q1 and Q2 in this case was prepared by [redacted] writer of specimen Kcl and fingerprint card signatures. Most of the writing on Q1 and Q2 was prepared with either lower-case hand printed letters or broken script letters which are not comparable with the upper-case hand printing on Kcl or with the signatures on Kcl and the fingerprint cards.

b7c

Specimen Kcl is retained in the Bureau's files.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

Tolson	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Casper	_____
Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
DeLoach	_____
Evans	_____
Gale	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holmes	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : *W. S. Tavel*

DATE: April 12, 1965

FROM : *J. W. Conrad*SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING  
VIKEX - RM

BuFile: 9-41768

There is enclosed the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure to the main file in the Records Branch.

Enc.

9-41768-12  
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ENCLOSURE

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**AIRTEL**

**To: SAC, Tampa (Enc.)**

**From: Director, FBI**

**UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, ET AL. - VICTIMS  
KIDNAPING - RACIAL MATTERS  
OO:TP**

**440432**

ReBuairtel to Atlanta dated 1/2/64 captioned, "Jack L. Ruby, aka.; Lee Harvey Oswald, aka - Victim, Civil Rights, OO:BA," copies of which were not furnished to Tampa or New York.

The following anonymous letter, postmarked 1/1/64 at St. Petersburg, Florida, has been received at the Bureau:

"When shot Oswald said he talk to such he chicken they work togethr hire from California jews We here to get Martin Luther King and Wilkes and Mayr Allan We want miss me. We move in Washington to get Bob Kennedy and 2 nigers then johnson if he push integration We plase not fail or die We not fail me."

The envelope in which this letter was received is addressed, "To FBI Washington D C."

ReBuairtel instructed that Atlanta immediately advise the [redacted] inasmuch as the "Allan" referred to in above letter is apparently Ivan Allen, Mayor of Atlanta. "Wilkes" may refer to Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary, NAACP.

- 2 - Atlanta (Enc.)
- 2 - New York (Enc.)
- 1 - Dallas (info) (Enc.)
- 1 - Latent Fingerprint Section

**Airtel to SAC, Tampa**  
**RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, ET AL. - VICTIMS**

Information contained in the above anonymous letter has been furnished to the Attorney General, the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, and the U. S. Secret Service.

The Department has advised that the above anonymous letter constitutes a violation of the Federal Extortion Statute. Inasmuch as the threats contained in the letter arise from a racial situation, original and one copy of a closing report is to be promptly submitted to the Bureau by Tampa, office of origin.

The original of the anonymous letter and the envelope in which it was contained have been retained at the Bureau for appropriate Laboratory examination. Results of these examinations will be furnished to the Tampa Office and should be included in Tampa report.

Tampa at St. Petersburg, Florida, will contact local authorities for any suspects in this matter and will conduct any other logical investigation in an attempt to identify the unknown subject.

New York will promptly contact the NAACP Headquarters and attempt to locate and interview Roy Wilkins for any information he may be able to furnish concerning this matter. Atlanta will also attempt to locate and interview Martin Luther King for any information he may be able to furnish in connection with this matter.

All offices expedite. Copies of the letter and envelope are enclosed for each office.

**NOTE:** By letters dated 1/13/64 the Attorney General, Secret Service, and the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy were advised of the receipt of the anonymous letter. The letter to the Attorney General confirmed discussion with Mr. John Murphy, Civil Rights Division, on 1/10/64 at which time Mr. Murphy expressed the opinion that the facts constitute violation of the Federal Extortion Statute. Field instructed to conduct appropriate investigation and office of origin will submit closing report which will be disseminated to the Department in accordance with our present policy in extortion cases arising out of racial matters.

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(note continued)

The original anonymous letter and envelope are attached hereto for transmittal as follows:

1. To FBI Laboratory for appropriate document and/or handwriting examination.
2. Latent Fingerprint Section for appropriate examination.

It is requested these examinations be expedited and results furnished to Tampa and any other pertinent offices.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded 1/17/64  
nah

Laboratory Work Sheet

NO LAB FILE

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

File # 89-41768  
Lab. # D-440432 AV

(OO: TP)

L A T E N T

Examination requested by:

XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Examination requested:

Bureau (Airtel 1/13/64)

Date received: 1/17/64

Result of Examination:

Document - Fingerprint

Examination by: [REDACTED]

*LFPs retain Q1 & Q2 in Bufiles cuts 7.0  
Send report to SAC Tampa - CC: to  
Atlanta & New York. 1/17/64 b7c*

*Q1 & Q2 examined by LFP & retained in  
Bufiles. 1/21/64 Rdf*

*Rec'd Q1 & Q2 10:45 AM 1/20/64 Rdf*

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 8 8 PM 1964"  
addressed to "To F B I Washington D C"

Q2 Accompanying  
One-page threatening note beginning "Ruben shot Oswald afraid..."  
and ending "... we not fail no"

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PHOTOGRAPHED

JAN 17 1964

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded 1/17/64  
nah

NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. - VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

File # X9-41768-4  
Lab. # D-440432 AV

(OO: TP)

L A T E N T

Examination requested by:

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Bureau (Airtel 1/13/64)

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 1/17/64

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

1. Q1 + Q2 are ident [REDACTED]

(Lower Case H/H)

1/17/64

DTC

2. No indented writing of any signif noted Q1 & Q2  
3. Stamp Q1 from booklet of 5¢ postage stamps

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 5 8 PM 1964"  
addressed to "To F B I Washington D C"  
Q2 Accompanying one-page threatening note beginning "Ruben shot Oswald fraid..."  
and ending "... we not fail no"

cc Atlanta  
cc N.Y.  
cc Dallas  
Put 441  
1-20-64  
CUB

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JAN 17 1964

P1 plain white low. Bond paper no watermark

Top - 6.50" right 3.70"  
bottom - 6.51 left 3.68"

thick - 10039"

P2 sheet white blue lined tablet paper <sup>green</sup> no watermark  
(first adhesive top edge) (2.2 blue line front and 2.5 blue line back and <sup>green</sup>)  
Top - 5.99" right 7.00"  
bottom - 6.00" left 9.00" thick 10031"  
to 10032"



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: **FBI, Tampa**

Date: **January 30, 1964**

Re: **UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
et al. -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS  
OO: Tampa**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.  
Lab. No.

**9-41768  
D-440432 AV**

Examination requested by: **Bureau**

Reference: **Airtel to Tampa, 1-13-64**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**You will be advised by separate communication relative  
to the fingerprint examination of Q1 and Q2.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)**

- 1 - Atlanta Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - New York Enclosure (Lab report)**
- 1 - Dallas, Enclosure (Lab report)**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE**



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**REPORT  
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

**To: FBI, Tampa**  
**Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, et al. -  
VICTIMS  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS**

**Date: January 30, 1964**  
**FBI File No. 9-41768**  
**Lab. No. D-440432 AV**

**Specimens ~~///~~ available in Bureau**

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PETERSBURG FLA. JAN 5 8 PM 1964" addressed to "T O F B I Washington D C".**
- Q2 Accompanying one-page threatening note beginning "Ruben shot Oswald afraid..." and ending "...we not fail no".**

**Result of examination:**

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched through the appropriate sections of the Anonymous Letter File but no identification was effected. A photograph will be added to this file.

No indented writing of any significance was noted on specimens Q1 and Q2.

The stamp on the envelope, Q1, was torn from a booklet of five-cent postage stamps.

The envelope, Q1, was made of white bond paper, containing no watermarks, to measure approximately 8.50 inches across the top, 8.51 inches along the bottom edge, 3.70 inches along the right edge and 3.68 inches along the left edge.

Specimen Q2 was prepared on a sheet of ruled tablet paper which measures approximately 8.99 inches across the top, 8.00 inches across the bottom and 9.00 inches from top to bottom. This sheet of paper contains no watermarks and contains twenty-two blue-green lines on the front and twenty-five blue-green lines on the back. The sheet of paper was bound in a tablet with a red adhesive along the top edge.

**Specimens Q1 and Q2 are retained in the Bureau's files.**

1/28/64

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-41768)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY  
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (9-137) (P)

UNSUB; MARTIN LUTHER KING  
ET AL - VICTIM  
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS  
(OO:TP)

ReBulets 1/20 and 1/21/64.

Tampa is considering [REDACTED] suspect for unsub. [REDACTED] is an associate of [REDACTED]

The Laboratory is requested to compare the writing on Q1 and Q2 with the enclosed writing of [REDACTED] on his application for employment [REDACTED] and his signature on a letter to [REDACTED]

The Lab is also requested to compare [REDACTED] signatures appearing on any fingerprint cards in possession of Identification Division under [REDACTED] with writing on Q1 and Q2.

The Laboratory is also requested to compare [REDACTED] fingerprints with the two latents developed on Q1.

3 Bureau (Encls 2) (RM)  
2 - TAMPA  
[REDACTED] b7c

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

recorded 1/31/64

gk

Laboratory Work Sheet

LAB FILE

OPENED

Re:

Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters  
(OO: Tampa)

File # 9-41768

Lab. # D-441572 AV

Examination requested by:

Tampa (9-137) airtel 1/28/64

Examination requested:

Document - *Fingerprint*

Date received: 1/31/64

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

*1. N.C. writing on Q1 & Q2 with KCI + with  
Rigs on fpt cards for [REDACTED]*

*Q material mostly broken script*

*- not comp. b7C*

Specimens submitted for examination

*KCI*

Photocopy of typewritten letter dated 3/20/63  
bearing signature of [REDACTED] and

Application for Employment dated [REDACTED] bearing  
hand printing and signature of [REDACTED]

*b7C*

*Separate fpt on fpt. comp.*

*Five fpt cards located for [REDACTED]*

*b7C*

*b7C*


*1st print  
3/20/63  
[REDACTED]*

*b7C*

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K. B. R. shot out w/ Washington Bob

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: **FBI, Tampa (9-137)**

Date: **February 3, 1964**

Re: **Unsub; Martin Luther King  
et al. - Victim  
Extortion - Racial Matters  
OO: Tampa**

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **9-41768**  
Lab. No. **D-441572 AV**

Examination requested by: **Tampa**

Reference: **Airtel 1/28/64**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

If further comparison is desired of the writing on Q1 and Q2 with writing of [REDACTED] it will be necessary to have some hand printing prepared with lower-case letters and some broken script writing. The known hand printing and broken script writing should contain words which appear in the questioned writing. b7C

You will be advised by separate communication concerning the results of the requested fingerprint examination.

For your information, Army SN [REDACTED] appears on one of the fingerprint cards located for [REDACTED] b7C

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

1 [REDACTED] b7C

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REPORT  
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D-441572 AVRe: Unsub; Martin Luther King  
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Specimens received 1/31/64

Kcl Photocopy of typewritten letter dated [redacted]  
bearing signature of [redacted] and  
Application for Employment dated [redacted]  
hand printing and signature of [redacted]

## Result of examination:

A definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether the questioned writing on specimens Q1 and Q2 in this case was prepared by [redacted] writer of specimen Kcl and fingerprint card signatures. Most of the writing on Q1 and Q2 was prepared with either lower-case hand printed letters or broken script letters which are not comparable with the upper-case hand printing on Kcl or with the signatures on Kcl and the fingerprint cards.

Specimen Kcl is retained in the Bureau's files.

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FILE NO.

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REASSIGNMENTS

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ASSIGNED TO #1

#2

#3

NAME

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REMARKS

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Laboratory Work Sheet

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Subj: Martin Luther King  
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(OO: Tampa)

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Examination requested by:

Tampa (9-137) airtel 1/28/64

Examination requested:

Document

Date received:

1/31/64

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

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Specimens submitted for examination

Kel Photocopy of typewritten letter dated 2/20/63  
bearing signature of [redacted] and [redacted]  
Application for Employment dated [redacted] bearing  
hand printing and signature of [redacted]

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